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On behalf of City Council and other residents who call Barrie home, I would like to extend you a warm welcome to our beautiful city. Like yourself, more people are discovering all of the inviting reasons to locate to this jewel on Kempenfelt Bay and I am happy that you have. It's a growing city, but a tight community that has so much to offer – no matter your age, or lifestyle.

This term of Council has been a busy one as we are making great progress on our Strategic Plan that we set out as our 'to do' list. From a robust infrastructure program that includes road improvements across our city, to providing access to recreation programs to all despite their financial situation – to developing and launching a new Transit system that gets riders to their destinations faster, we are moving forward. Our downtown continues to see great improvements with the many unique shopping and dining options, a world class theatre, and a waterfront like no other. It is our hope that our revitalized City Centre will hopefully be home to a university campus as we continue our work in brining that in to fruition.



So as you get settled in our city, I encourage you to get involved whether you choose to attend one of our many festivals, or lend some time with a local worthy charity, I know it won't take long for you to realize the true sense of community your new home has. The city's website is a great source of information from contact details to your Ward Councillor to the many services offered by your city, you can access this at www.barrie.ca.

Welcome home.

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Let us be the first of many to say Welcome To Barrie and your new home town. This city and the surrounding area offer its residents a wide variety of things to see and do all year long. It is our desire that "Welcome To Barrie" will provide you with the most useful information about life in the City of Barrie, including details about City services and useful information that only a resident of Barrie would know. We believe that most of the information needed to establish your residence here, and to help set up your home, can be found within this guide.

As the city's No. 1 local news source, we at The Barrie Examiner have been proudly serving Barrie since 1864. New Barrie residents have come to discover and rely on our timely information, detailed reporting and complete in-depth news coverage of Barrie each and every day. Our distribution is available daily 5 days a week, via home delivery or at local stores, with each Thursday's paper being delivered free to every home. We hope that you'll turn to our pages - and connect to our website (plus follow us on Facebook, and twitter) - to discover all that Barrie and your new neighbourhood has to offer.

Newcomers to the city will soon find out what long-time (and not so long-time) residents have come to appreciate; Barrie has all the amenities of a big city but the intimacy of a small town. You can take a walk around beautiful Kempenfelt Bay, spend the day shopping on Bayfield Street, or Park Place, or visit our quaint downtown filled with boutique stores and known for the area's best night life.

In the summer, more than 80 local parks and playgrounds are available for your children, some connected with great walking paths along Kempenfelt Bay, as well as boating, swimming and sailing. Golfers will love Barrie's proximity to more than a dozen golf courses, all within a 10 minute drive. In addition, the city's great number of annual events such as Celebrate Barrie, the Dragon Boat Festival, Canada Day Celebrations, The Barrie Waterfront Festival and one of the country's largest outdoor arts and crafts festivals, Kempenfest.

In the winter, it's all about snow and ice, with skiing, snowboarding, cross-country skiing, tubing, snowmobiling, ice fishing, horse-drawn sleigh rides, or just plain old tobogganing to choose from. Alpine skiers will enjoy Barrie's proximity to some of Ontario's best ski resorts and conference centre's. Further, Barrie Winterfest draws thousands to Heritage Park each February.

One of the first sites most visitors see when entering the City of Barrie on Highway 400 from the GTA, is the Commerce Park & Park Place shopping districts,



which run along Mapleview Drive and Bryne Drive. Home to all of the major Big Box retailers.

In regard to **entertainment**, it boasts the Cineplex Galaxy theatre and the Barrie Molson Centre, home to the OHL's Barrie Colts and the Mariposa Skating School. Further along Mapleview Drive you'll discover Barrie's auto district with many of Barrie's car dealerships.

In the heart of the city, year-round culture awaits at the renowned MacLaren Art Centre, home to wide variety of local artisans and some international treasures. Further, the Barrie Public Library offers up thousands of book, magazine, newspaper and ebook titles including an entire 2nd level dedicated to children, as well public programs for young and old alike.

In the downtown core, most notably following along Dunlop Street and moving through the '5 Points' intersection, there's a wide variety of boutique shops, as well as many fine dining restaurants, appealing to the most worldly of flavour choices from Thai to Italian, Indian to Jamaican cuisines, and everything in between.

A quick jaunt up Bayfield Street, which happens to be one of the streets intersecting at '5 points', and over Highway 400 is Barrie's largest retail area.



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Commonly called Barrie's 'Golden Mile'. This bustling district offers three full size shopping centres — Bayfield Mall, Kozlov Centre and Georgian Mall — and well-known retailers such as Zehrs, Future Shop, Canadian Tire and Wal-Mart.

Restaurants are plenty as well with more than 30 to choose from, including traditional sit downs like Applebee's, Red Lobster and Kelsey's, and every fast-food franchise you can imagine.

Barrie's Northeast end features **Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre**, Barrie's state-of-the-art hospital that specializes in cancer care, surgical services, critical care, mental health rehabilitation services, as well as women and children's programs. Located off Hwy 400 at the Duckworth St exit, it provides service to Barrie and the immediate region.

Right next door is Barrie's **Georgian College**, a post-secondary education institution offering its own college programs as well as university partnerships with Laurentian and York University amongst others. On the College property is Georgian Theatre which has been offering first-rate entertainment to Barrie for more than 30 years.

The City of Barrie's Department of Culture welcomes newcomers to our community and serves our residents and visitors through a variety of programs and properties that reflect the City's cultural philosophy. Workshops and conferences for artists, arts administrators and cultural groups, the annual Barrie Arts Awards, five community festivals, two community theatres, special event permitting, cultural grants and support of the Barrie Street Performer program in partnership with the BIA, are just some of the ongoing services provided by our Department of Culture. Whether you are a volunteer, artist, or arts and culture supporter, we encourage you to participate in our vibrant arts and culture scene. Reach out to us at 705-739-4299 or culture@barrie.ca

As you can see, new Barrie residents certainly don't have to leave the city to enjoy a number of great seasonal opportunities year round, however, living in Barrie also affords ease of access to the all-season playground that is Simcoe County.

With its amazing variety of things to see and do, its spectacular scenery, it is perhaps the most recreational focused area in Ontario. Whether its the hiking or skiing the hills of the Niagara Escarpment, boating or fishing in its clear freshwaters, or swimming and relaxing on the beaches of the world's longest fresh-water beach, everything is truly at Barrie's back door.



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- Limit of 1 standard size garbage bag or can of garbage per single family dwelling.
- Additional bags/cans must have a City of Barrie garbage tag affixed either around the neck of the bag or on the garbage in the can, not on the can itself. For a list of garbage tag retailers visit barrie.ca.
- Cans must have open handles & be designed to be manually lifted & bags/cans must not exceed 20kgs (45lbs).
- Loose items & items that do not fit in a standard size garbage can or bag will not be collected.

Collector Safety

- Wrap sharp objects (ie: glass or nails) in a protective material such as newsprint. Label garbage that contains safety hazards.
- Syringes/needles must be disposed of at the Household Hazardous Waste Depot
- For their own safety, residents are not permitted to place items into the collection trucks.

Recycling: 2 boxes for 2 reasons... separate your materials!

Blue Box (Container Items):

- Rigid plastic containers #1–#7 (includes styrene trays & lids)
 - Food & beverage cans
 - Aluminum trays, pie plates & foil
 - Glass bottles & jars
 - Tetra Pak boxes, juice & milk cartons
 - Styrofoam packaging (must fit inside recycling cart; no styrofoam peanuts)
 - Spiral cardboard cans
- All container items must be "packaging" (i.e. no toys, laundry baskets, hangers etc.) Please no coffee cups, motor oil or pesticide containers. Must be placed curbside by 7am on collection day.

Effective April 7, 2014: New Items Accepted in the Blue Box:

Empty Aerosol Cans: Remove the lid and dispensing nozzle (if possible) from the empty before placing in your blue box. Aerosol cans that are not empty can pose an explosion risk in recycling facilities and must be taken to the Household Hazardous Waste Depot.

Empty, Dry Paint Cans: Remove the lid to allow the remaining paint dry inside the can and on the lid. Place both the can and the lid in your blue box. Can sizes are limited to 4 litres and under. Paint cans that are not empty must be taken to the Household Hazardous Waste Depot.

Plastic Retail & Grocery Bags: Bags must be clean and empty. Remove any receipts or other materials from the bags, put all bags inside of one bag and then tie shut before placing in your blue box.

All container items must be "packaging" (i.e. no toys, laundry baskets, hangers etc.) Please no coffee cups, motor oil or pesticide containers. Must be placed curbside by 7am on collection day.

Grey Box (Paper Items):

- Newspaper & household papers
- Boxboard & egg cartons
- Telephone books, paperback books & magazines
- Cardboard (flattened 75cm x 75cm x 20cm)
- Hardcover books (cover removed)

Collection Changes Coming January 12th, 2015

Starting January 12th, 2015, Barrie households will receive two-bag or two-can garbage pick-up every other week; organics and recycling will continue to be picked up every week. In preparation, residents are encouraged to start rethinking waste by visiting barrie.ca.

Bin Pickup & Delivery

Blue, Grey and Green bins can be picked up at the Environmental Centre (272 Ferndale Drive North), Monday to Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm and at the Household Hazardous Waste Depot (also located at 272 Ferndale Drive North) from 9am to 4pm on Saturday. Photo identification proving Barrie residency must be provided to office staff prior to issuance of bins. Damaged bins can be returned to the Environmental Centre (272 Ferndale Drive North) where they are recycled. Please call 705-739-4219 to arrange for free delivery of bins.

Organics Collection Program

Acceptable Items:

- All food scraps and leftovers • Meat, bones, rice and dairy products
- Vegetables and fruits • Pastas, breads • Cooking oils and grease
- Coffee grounds and filters, tea bags • Microwave popcorn bags
- Dryer lint, dust • Hair, pet hair • House plants • Soiled newspaper, paper towels
- Paper plates, napkins, tissues • Paper egg cartons • Fast food drink trays
- Paper cups • Popsicle sticks, toothpicks • Wood wine corks • Wood ashes (cold)
- Dried flowers • Pumpkins • Eggs and eggshells • Muffin paper cups

Unacceptable Items:

- Plastic bags or plastic look alikes (i.e. biodegradable bags)
- Diapers and hygiene products • Kitty litter & animal waste • Yard waste
- Medical waste (bandages, gauze)

Recyclables

- Construction and demolition waste • Sod, soil or rocks
- Vacuum bag and contents • Ceramics • Drinking straws • Styrofoam
- Treated wood • Hazardous waste • Dead animals • Textile

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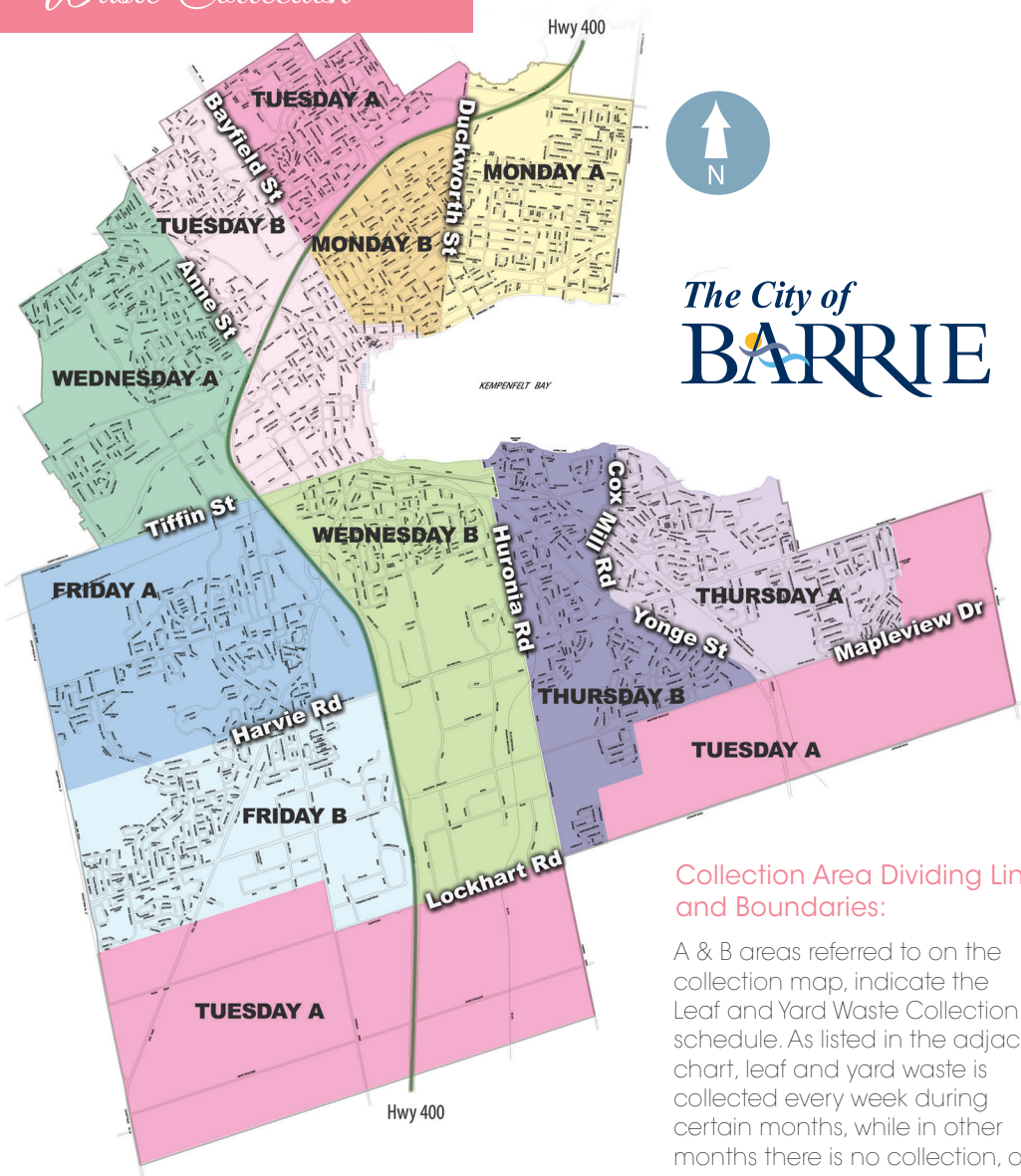
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Collection Area Dividing Lines and Boundaries:

A & B areas referred to on the collection map, indicate the Leaf and Yard Waste Collection schedule. As listed in the adjacent chart, leaf and yard waste is collected every week during certain months, while in other months there is no collection, or collection occurs every other week depending on your address. Using the adjacent chart, in conjunction with the collection map, will help you determine if your address is A or B week. If you have any questions about your collection day, please call 705-739-4219 or visit www.barrie.ca.

Day	Yard Waste	Yard Waste Notes
Monday	Week A	Both Sides of Duckworth St. yard waste collected on Week A.
Monday	Week B	
Tuesday	Week A	Both sides of Bayfield St yard waste is collected Week B. Both sides of Anne St yard waste collected Week B. Both sides of Tiffin St (east of Hwy 400) yard waste is collected Week B.
Tuesday	Week B	
Wednesday	Week A	Both sides of Tiffin St (west of hwy 400) yard waste is collected Week B.
Wednesday	Week B	
Thursday	Week A	Both sides of Cox Mill Rd. and Yonge St yard waste collected on Week A. Both sides of Huronia Rd. yard waste collected Week B.
Thursday	Week B	
Friday	Week A	Both sides of Harvie Rd yard waste collected Week A.
Friday	Week B	

* Week A & B refers to yard waste collection only.

YARD WASTE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

WEEKLY:	BI-WEEKLY:	NO COLLECTION:
January	October	July
April	November	August
May		December
June		
September		

Yard Waste is accepted at the landfill from Barrie residents. Visit www.barrie.ca or call 705-739-4219 for more information.

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St. George's Anglican Church.....	Burton Ave. & Granville St.
St. Giles Anglican Church.....	95 Cook St.
St. Margaret's Anglican Church.....	161 Hanmer St. W.
Trinity Anglican Church.....	24 Collier St.
St. Paul's Anglican Church, Innisfil.....	Mapleview Dr. E. & Yonge St.
Emmanuel Baptist Church.....	4120 Salem Rd.
First Baptist Church.....	550 Grove Street E.
Heritage Baptist Church.....	79 Ardagh Rd.
Inniswood Baptist Church.....	460 Yonge St.
Willow Creek Baptist Church.....	2387 Gill Rd. Midhurst
Northside Bible Chapel (Brethren).....	8 Gunn St.
Barrie Alliance Church.....	30 Elliott Ave.
Covenant Christian Reformed Church.....	101 Ardagh Rd.
First Christian Reformed Church.....	33 Shirley Ave.
Barrie Church Of Christ.....	345 Grove St. E.
Bethel Community Church.....	128 St. Vincent St.
Barrie Free Methodist Church.....	284 Cundles Rd. E.
Faith Alive Outreach Centre.....	4 Cedar Point Rd.
Harvest Bible Chapel.....	750 Essa Rd.
Cornerstone Community Church.....	49 Ferris Lane
Full Gospel Lighthouse Church.....	156 St. Vincent St.
The Lutheran Church of the Good Shepard.....	220 Steel St.
Westside Evangelical Lutheran Church.....	510 Ferndale Dr. N.
Calvary Community Church (Pentecostal).....	2418 5/6 Sideroad Shanty Bay
Mapleview Community Church (Pentecostal).....	211 Marsellus Dr.
Hi-way Pentecostal Church.....	50 Anne St. N.
St. Andrews Presbyterian Church.....	47 Owen St.
Essa Rd. Presbyterian Church.....	59 Essa Rd.
Westminster Presbyterian Church.....	170 Steel St.
St. Mary's Church (Roman Catholic).....	65 Amelia St.
St. John Vianney Church (Roman Catholic).....	13 Baldwin St.
The Barrie Seventh Day Adventist Community Church.....	140 Mapleton Ave.
Connexus Community Church.....	705-721-9090
Barrie Citadel Corps (Salvation Army).....	151 Lillian Cres.
Central United Church.....	54 Ross St.
Collier Street United Church.....	112 Collier St.
Grace United Church.....	Grove & Cook St.
Holly United Church.....	211 Marsellus Dr.
Northwest Barrie United Church.....	464 Ferndale Dr. N.

Islam

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Jewish

Am Shalom Congregation.....	767 Huronia Rd.
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As a newcomer to Barrie, you may require contact information for local businesses and services that are available to you. Here is a list of contact numbers that may be helpful...

Helpful Contacts

The Barrie Examiner Newspaper - 705-726-6537, www.thebarrieexaminer.com
> Barrie's local daily newspaper since 1864, for subscription services ext 231, editorial ext 282.
Rogers Cable - 1-800-ROGERS1 - www.rogers.com.
Bell - 705-310-BELL - www.bell.ca.
Powerstream - 705-722-7222 - www.powerstream.ca
Enbridge - 1-877-362-7434 - www.enbridge.com

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Royal Victoria Regional Health Care - 705-728-9802 - www.rvh.on.ca
Huron Urgent Care Clinic - 480 Huronia Dr. - 705-792-0933 - www.huronurgentcare.com
Barrie Medical Clinics Inc - 705-726-1544 Locations: 125 Bell Farm Rd - 555 Essa Rd - 121 Wellington St W - 505 Yonge St.
Barrie Police Services - 705-725-7025 - www.police.barrie.on.ca

Miscellaneous:

Barrie Public Library - 705-728-1010 - www.library.barrie.on.ca
Barrie SPCA - 705-728-7311 - www.barrie.ontariospca.ca
Barrie YMCA - 705-726-6421 - www.ymcaofsimcoemusoka.ca
Ontario Travel Centre Barrie - 705-725-7280 - www.ontariotravel.net
Tourism Barrie - 705-739-1616 - www.tourismbarrie.com
Welcome Wagon Barrie - 1-866-675-8380 - www.welcomewagon.ca

City Contacts:

55+ Centres	Allandale Recreation Centre	705-728-6332
	Parkview Centre	705-737-0755
City Hall	70 Collier Street	705-726-4242
Automated Attendant		705-739-4220
Animal Control		705-739-4241
Arenas	Allandale	705-728-5141
	Barrie Molson Centre	705-737-6850
	Eastview Arena	705-726-4551
	East Bayfield	705-739-4225
	Holly Community Centre	705-792-7925
BACTS		705-739-4209
Barrie Transit		705-739-4209
Birth Certificate Applications		705-739-4204
Blue and Grey Box/Recycling		705-739-4219
Building Permits		705-739-4212
Building Services Department		705-739-4212
Bus Terminal		705-739-1500
Business Licensing		705-739-4241
City Clerk's Office		705-739-4204

Community Centres.....	Allandale Recreation Centre	705-728-5141
.....	Lampman Lane Centre	705-739-4224
.....	Southshore Community Centre	705-739-4223
.....	- East Bayfield Community Centre	705-739-4225
.....	- Holly Community Centre	705-792-7925
Council Information		705-739-4228
Culture Department		705-739-4299
Special Events		705-739-4285
Mady Centre for Performing Arts & Georgian Theatre.....		705-739-4228
Development Servicing		705-739-4207
Dog and Cat Licensing		705-739-4241
Finance Department		705-739-4232
Fire & Emergency Service:	Emergency Call	911
.....	Business Office - 155 Dunlop St	705-728-3199
.....	Fire Prevention & Training	705-728-3199
Forestry Maintenance		705-739-4255
Garbage		705-739-4219
Greenhouse		705-739-4255
Human Resources		705-739-4202
Industrial Land Sales		705-728-9850
Information Barrie (Library)		705-728-1010
Landfill/Environmental Centre		705-739-4219
Leaf & Yard Waste		705-739-4219
Legal Services Department		705-792-7916
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Lottery Licences		705-739-4241
Marina		705-739-4218
Marriage Licences.....		705-739-4283
Mayor's Office		705-792-7900
Municipal Law Enforcement		705-739-4241
Engineering Department		705-739-4207
Organics Collection		705-739-4219
Roads, Parks & Fleet		705-739-4255
Parks Maintenance		705-739-4255
Parking Tickets		705-739-4241
Planning Services		705-739-4208
Provincial Offences		705-739-4291
Purchasing		705-739-4229
Real Estate Services		705-792-7916
Recreation, Facilities & Transit		705-739-4223
Road & Sewer Construction		705-739-4210
Road & Sewer Maintenance		705-739-4255
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Traffic Maintenance		705-739-4255
Transit		705-739-4209
Transportation for the Disabled		705-739-4209
Water Billing Inquiries		705-797-5340
Water Engineering Services		705-739-4207
Water Maintenance & Operations		705-792-7920
Water Pollution Control Centre		705-739-4221
Zoning		705-739-4212

Park By-laws are regulated under the Municipal Code. For a complete list of Park By-laws, please visit the City web site for By-law 2010-033 and 2010-035.

PARK REGULATIONS

By-law 2010-033 and 2010-35, are available online.

1. For the safety of all park users, golfing is NOT permitted in City parks.
2. Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in City parks, except for Special Event permits.
3. Motorized vehicles other than authorized vehicles are not allowed in parks. This includes snowmobiles, motorbikes, ATVs or automobiles.
4. Fires are not permitted in public parks, except where designated for such purpose by the City.

Playground Safety: All City playground areas are unsupervised. Parents and guardians assume all risks for children playing on equipment. Users are cautioned that the shock absorption of falls onto the safety surfacing is reduced by freezing temperatures and compaction due to heavy use. The City regularly inspects all equipment for maintenance purposes, however, we appreciate calls from the public notifying us of any broken or vandalized park equipment when observed. Please call the playground number at 705-739-4262.

Waterfront Drinking Fountains: Centennial Park provides a double drinking water fountain for people and pets along the Waterfront Trail. One is located by the Centennial Beach washrooms and a second one can be found by the beach volleyball courts.

Park Maps: The City of Barrie's Parks, Trails and Bicycle Routes Map is available at City Hall, the Barrie Public Library, Barrie Tourism Centre or Information Barrie. The map details on-road bicycle routes, major and minor trails through Barrie's waterfront and green spaces.

Dogs: By-law 2010-35 requires dog owners to clean up after their dog with the City limits. Dogs must be kept leashed in all City parks, with the exception of a designated Dog Off -Leash Recreation Area (D.O.L.R.A.). Dogs are not allowed on beaches at Centennial, Heritage and Allandale Station Parks, and must remain on designated walkways as they are not permitted within the park area.

Fishing On The Waterfront: Please note that fishing is NOT permitted in boat docking areas such as the transient boat dock and the City of Barrie Marina. Avoid areas where people are swimming. Fishing is permitted in all other public areas around the waterfront with the purchase of a fishing license required by the Ministry of Natural Resources.

Boating: Boaters should note 'NO BOAT SWIM AREAS' around Kempenfelt Bay and the 'DIVER DOWN' marker, requiring a minimum of 30 metres 'NO BOAT ZONE' around the marker within the less than 10km/h speed zone. The 'DIVER DOWN' marker is located between Centennial Beach and the Tiffin Boat Launch, representing the J.C. Morrison wreck site.

Diving: A designated scuba diving site is located near Centennial Park marking the location of the J.C. Morrison, a paddle wheeler boat that sank in 1857 as a result of raging fire. The wreck rests in 9 metres (30 feet) of water approximately 92 metres (300 feet) off shore. The dive site includes a boiler, parts of the paddle wheels and plenty of fish. Please refer to the Waterfront Map for the approximate location of 'NO BOAT SWIM AREAS' and the 'DIVER DOWN MARKER.'

Sunnidale Park Dog Off-Leash Recreation Area (D.O.L.R.A.): The Sunnidale Park dog off-leash area is located in a hilly natural setting that is not wheelchair accessible. Parking is available at the Dorian Parker Centre or along Sunnidale Road. All dogs must be leashed outside of the D.O.L.R.A. while in Sunnidale Park as per City of Barrie By-law 2010-035. Aggressive dogs are not permitted in the off-leash area. All dogs must have a current license and rabies vaccination to use either facility. Dog owners are required to clean-up after their pets.

Molson Centre Dog Off-Leash Recreation Area (D.O.L.R.A.): The City of Barrie opened a new off-leash area in 2012. The new D.O.L.R.A. is located in the Valleylands East of the Barrie Molson Centre (Bayview Drive and Mapleview Drive West), adjacent to the new storm water ponds. The area features lit parking and two-level fenced playfields, one for large dogs and one for small dogs. All dogs are required to have a current license and rabies vaccination to use City of Barrie off-leash areas. The Dogs By-law 2010-35 requires dog owners to clean up after their pet within the City limits. Dogs must be kept leashed in all City parks, with the exception of a designated Dog Off-Leash Recreation Area (D.O.L.R.A.). Dogs are not permitted in waterfront parks except on designated walking paths at Centennial, Heritage and Allandale Station Parks, and must remain on designated walkways. Please report any comments or concerns to the Operations Department at 705-739-4255. For more information visit Barrie.ca.

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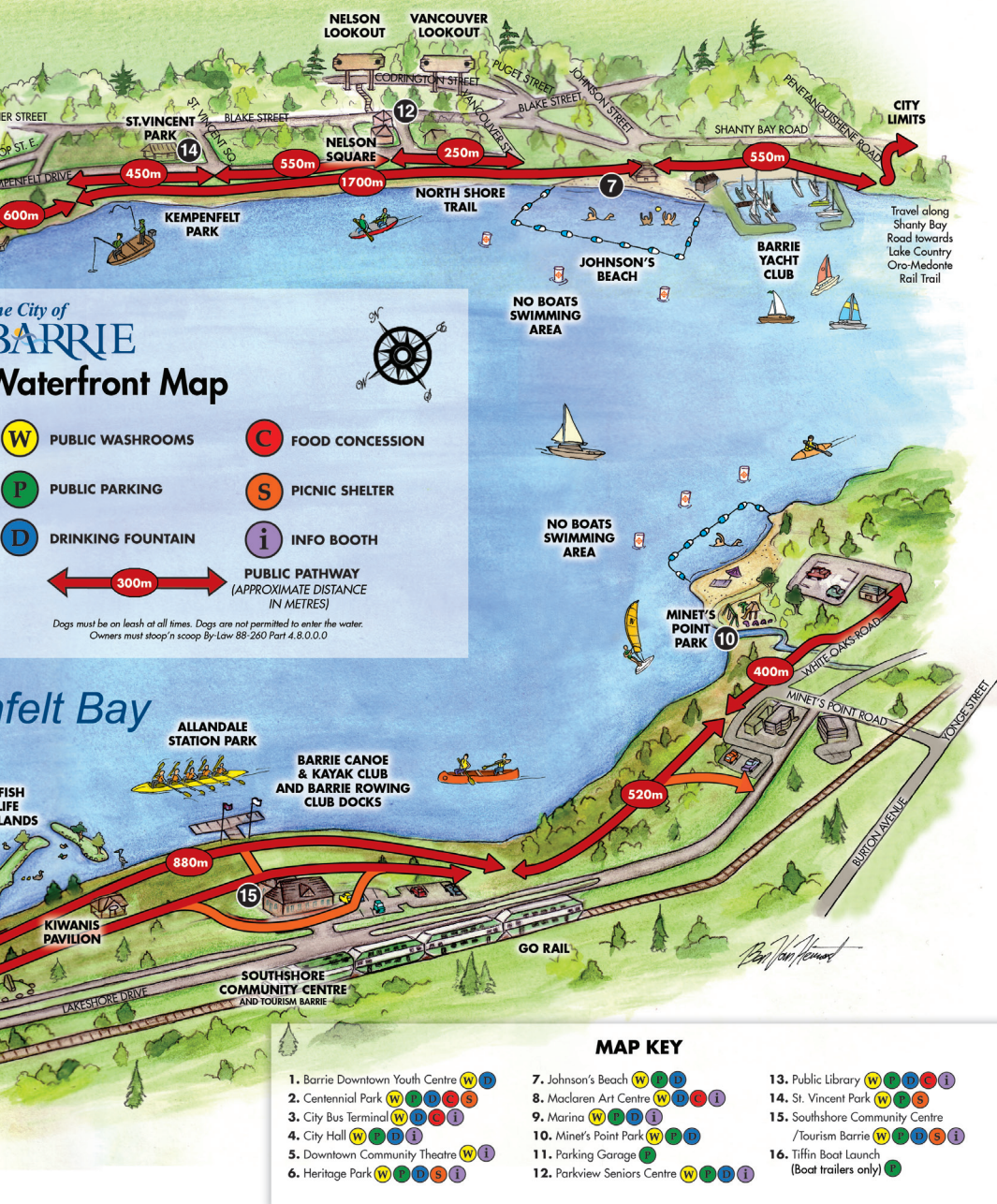


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As previously mentioned in this guide, **Barrie's Waterfront Parks** are the finest in Ontario and truly offer a great escape. The waterfront offers transient docking, sandy beaches, walking and biking trails, public boat launches, children's play areas and exciting special events.

Georgian Downs + OLG Slots is located at Hwy # 400 & Innisfil Beach Road (entrance at Concession 8). The state-of-the-art facility features the thrill of harness racing with the excitement of slot gaming. Open year-round, post-time is 7:30 p.m. Saturday and Tuesday nights. Call 705-726-9400 for more information.

Nicholyn Farms, just 10 minutes north of Barrie, offers locally produced, organic and traditionally raised foods. Featuring an on-site bakery and certified kitchen using local ingredients for homemade bread, buns, sweets, preserves, prepared dinners, and gluten free products. Enjoy the serenity of the countryside with your family and friends as you make an easy trek to scenic Nicholyn farms. Your local farmers thank you! Visit www.nicholyn.com for information.

The Barrie Molson Centre, located at 555 Bayview Drive, BMC is central Ontario's premium sports & entertainment centre holding sporting events, concerts, trade shows, conventions and more. Call 705-737-6850 for more information. Barrie Farmers' Market, located at Barrie City Hall each Saturday year round, it's indoors from November to April and then outdoors from May to October. Local vendors feature farm fresh produce, honey, fish, meat, baked goods, handcrafted items, plants and more. Visit www.barriefarmersmarket.com.

Barrie Hill Farms is southern Ontario's leading farm destination for excellent berry picking, farm fresh food, and fun family outings. For more than 40 years, customers have enjoyed picking their fields loaded with strawberries, raspberries, blueberries and selecting from other locally grown vegetables and fruits. Stop in

and take a wagon ride to the pick your own fields, it's a great family activity! Visit www.barriehillfarms.com.

Burl's Creek Family Event Park, located off Highway 11 north and the 8th Line of Oro-Medonte Township. Offers many seasonal events including the Spring & Fall Barrie Automotive Flea Market, the Big Rig Show & Shine, Barrie Celtic Festival & Highland Games. Call 705-487-3663 for details.

The Simcoe County Museum, located in Midhurst, offers visitors a chance to walk back in time and explore the displays and artifacts depicting the history of the county. Experience Canadian native cultures in the indoor Huron longhouse, wander the Victoria Village Street and marvel at early 20th-century technology. Get outdoors and explore the 16 pioneer and display buildings, including the schoolhouse from the Anne of Green Gables film. The museum is open all year, call 705-728-372, or visit its website for more information.

Visit our beautiful **MacLaren Art Centre** located on Mulcaster Street in the heart of downtown Barrie. Wander through four gallery spaces featuring engaging art exhibitions from around the world and the corner. Taste some sumptuous goodies in the cafe before exploring the inner courtyard and gallery store. Call 705-721-9696, or visit its website for more information.

Chappell Farms, located on 617 Penetanguishene Rd. (just off Hwy 11) offers a wonderful roadside market including all of your favourite season fruit, vegetables and honey. In the fall, Chappell's transforms into a Pumpkin paradise with its Pumpkin Festival complete with hay rides, corn maze, petting zoo, live entertainment, haunted barn and more. Call 705-721-0553, or visit its website for more information.

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The Georgian Theatre at One Georgian Drive (Building C) on the Georgian College Barrie Campus is a professional performing arts facility with seating options ranging from 427 to 690 seats. The theatre hosts a variety of professional and amateur theatre productions, concerts, seminars and more. For rental and ticket information contact theatres@barrie.ca or 705-739-4228.

The Mady Centre For Performing Arts at One Dunlop Street West at Barrie's historic Five Points offers a variety of film screenings, live theatre productions, concerts, comedy, dance performances and much more in the acoustically sound Park Place Theatre. It features versatile, flexible seating for anywhere from 96 to 210 spectators. For show information and ticket prices – theatres.barrie.ca or 705-739-4228. For rental inquiries – theatres@barrie.ca

Drysdale's Tree Farm, located in the nearby hamlet of Egbert, has been a holiday tradition since 1945. In the fall it transforms into a pumpkin patch. At Christmas it's filled with all the festivities the season brings. Cut the perfect tree from the 400-acre plantation, visit Mr. & Mrs. Claus in their residence on-site, join with teams of horse-drawn wagons, face painters, a magician, or sit and sing holiday songs by a roaring bonfire and picnic area. Call 705-424-9719, or visit its website for more information.

Barrie Boat Cruises on the Serendipity Princess begins at the foot of Bayfield Street, at the waterfront. Take a morning or afternoon sightseeing cruise aboard the 260 passenger, LCBO licensed, Serendipity Princess and experience the waters of Kempenfelt Bay on picturesque Lake Simcoe. Private functions and group outings are available, call 705-728-9888 for information.

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People & Pet Fountains: You and your pet can re-hydrate together while visiting the waterfront. Centennial Park provides two blue pet fountains along the Waterfront Trail. One is located by Centennial Beach and the other is by the Mini Putt area. Please remember that pets must remain on-leash at all times and kindly stoop 'n scoop when necessary.

Skateboard Park: The unsupervised facility features a concrete pad with slopes, ramps, rails and barriers for skateboarding stunts, in-line skating and BMX riding. Washroom access is available. Appropriate CSA approved protective equipment is recommended, especially a helmet. Limit your use to activities for which you have the appropriate skill level. BMX bikes with "pegs" are NOT permitted in this facility. Please share the facility, use caution and respect the rights of neighbours and other park users.

Splash Pad: Visit the Splash Pad in Heritage Park for water-play in spray fountain jets. The Splash Pad opens yearly on the Civic Holiday, May 24th weekend through to Thanksgiving long weekend. Change rooms and washrooms are available beside the Splash Pad, and metered parking can be found close by at Heritage Park.



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The Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board offers elementary and high schools in Barrie. Its board provides learning experiences to students that emphasize Catholic beliefs and values. The Catholic identity is apparent upon entry into one of its schools, or through speaking to staff and students.

In addition to the public school options, the area is also home to several private elementary schools including Kempenfelt Bay School, Georgian Oaks Academy, Thor College and Timothy Christian School. There is also Unity Christian High School, a private Christian high school.

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High Schools

Barrie Central Collegiate	125 Dunlop St. W.	705-726-1846
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Barrie's Golden Mile (Bayfield Street) The Bayfield Mall - As Barrie's first community mall, it still occupies the most convenient location on Barrie's busiest street. Located at the corner of Bayfield and Coulter Streets just north of the 400 Highway at exit 98. With 70+ stores including Canadian Tire, Winners, Price Chopper, Bowlerama and Bayfield Cinemas, they offer a collection of stores you know and new stores to discover.

Opened in August 1986, the Kozlov Centre located on the corner of Bayfield Street and Cundles Road offers more than 70 shops and services. Retail stores include M&M Meat Shops and Party Packagers, the Centre is said to meet your every shopping need.

RioCan Georgian Mall is the largest regional shopping centre in Barrie area. Located on the corner of Bayfield Street and Livingstone Street, the RioCan Georgian Mall is truly a shopping resort, with exceptional shopping choices RioCan Georgian Mall plays host to over 6 million customers per year visiting over 160 stores and services.

Restaurants on Bayfield Street are plenty as well with more than 30 to choose from, including traditional sit downs like Swiss Chalet, Moose Winooski's, Moxie's, Houston's, Crock & Block and every fast-food franchise you can imagine. You must also try Fresh-a-Fare, serving fresh food from scratch.

Downtown Barrie (Dunlop Street) - Downtown Barrie allows you to relax and enjoy your shopping experience travelling store to store in search of the latest fashion, home décor, perfect gift or memory of your stay in Barrie. It offers a unique selection of specialty shops & boutiques, accentuated by the pleasant ambiance of being near the beautiful waterfront. Some stores include John McNabb Clothiers, Janet Kemp Shoes and Women's fashions, Tropical North, Angies Outdoor, the Running Room to name a few. Further take the time to enjoy a visit to Sigrids Fine Cafe & Bakery well known as a 'touch of Europe' in Barrie. For a more complete list, visit www.downtownbarrie.ca.

Bellfarm Road, in the East end offers a variety of businesses and shops to explore. Everything from health professionals to wine making this area has something for everyone. Visit great locations such as Art Appreciation Gallery featuring many fine art pieces, and beautiful gifts, Fancy's Fish & Chips & Seafood, Laser Health Works or grab something delicious at Chez Barrie Bakery.

Barrie's South End (Mapleview Dr) In Barrie's south end you will find a wide selection of stores and services, ranging from fashion and accessories, sporting goods and services and much more. You can truly go big with big box stores such as Home

Shopping & Dining

Depot, Costco, Rona, Canadian Tire and Chapters. This commercial business area features better than 150 businesses.

In addition it boasts some of the most popular restaurants in the city including Jack Astor's, Milestones and Montana's, and many other equally delicious choices like Vietnamese, Sushi and Thai restaurants, you really can't go wrong.

Park Place - From open space to space open, Park Place is taking shape.

The process has already begun. New buildings are emerging from the ground. Innovative businesses are opening their doors to the public providing a unique variety of retail, cuisine, and services.

"There's a lot going on - I think this is the year you'll see it really come into its own," said Terry Coughlin, managing partner of North American Development Group (NADG).

The most recent opening was Il Fornello Italian restaurant. Considered to be one of Toronto's top restaurants, Il Fornello brings casual classic dining to south Barrie. It follows openings for LA Fitness and a gas bar - both within the last couple of months.

Construction is nearing completion on another 200,000 square feet of space. Target and Cabela's are slated to open this summer. The 127,000-square foot Target will be the only store of its kind north of Newmarket. Cabela's, a 70,000-square foot U.S.-based outdoor sporting goods store specializing in hunting, fishing and outdoor gear, selected Barrie to be one of four new stores, the only new one for Canada.

With the majority of the space spoken for now, much more is in store for Barrie. Sport Chek and Atmosphere will move into the former Future Shop space with openings scheduled for summertime.

Barrie is about to have its first all-organic grocery store. Goodness Me! is a natural food market that contains a deli with daily features, specials, classes in health and wellness as well as a wide variety of recipes for shoppers. It is part of 100,000-square feet of new construction, already begun, which will include a food court, set around a village park. Look for openings this fall.

"We're building right now to include a lot of smaller shops, small restaurants, a high end food court that will have everything from Mexican burritos to sushi," said Coughlin. "There will be a pedestrian area with a fireplace."



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The retail, dining and unwinding, health and fitness component of Park Place is just one aspect of the 200 acre land formerly known as Molson Park. There are 22 acres that have been preserved as parkland. The mature trees, winding pathways, a creek with picturesque bridge is all open to the people of Barrie to enjoy.

There is also a 14-acre dog-off-leash park, 9-acres of which was dedicated by Park Place, located behind Barrie Molson Centre that has proved to be hit for Barrie residents and their canine pals.

The Toronto-based NADG, known for developing shopping centres across Canada and the U.S., has also poured significant resources into road improvements on Mapleview Dr. and all Hwy 400 ramps. NADG was responsible for bringing IBM to Barrie on Park Place's eastern office lands.

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2014 is shaping up to be a banner year for Barrie's Park Place.

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Promenade Days taking place on the Canada Day long weekend is Barrie's largest street festival featuring live entertainment, children's activities, petting zoo, midway, street performers, patios, food and fun. Downtown merchants showcase their fantastic products at the street market. On Canada Day visit the Kids Fun Zone all day in Heritage Park and the fireworks over Kempenfelt Bay at 10:00 pm! www.downtownbarrie.ca and www.barrie.ca/Canadaday for more information.



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Winterfest and the Festival of Ice runs in February in Memorial Square and Heritage Park. It is a family-oriented celebration of winter and includes many winter activities such as hand crafted ice carvings, an ice castle slide, horse drawn hay rides and carnival.

The Elmvale Maple Syrup Festival occurs annually in mid April, in the nearby town of Elmvale. Offering arts and crafts, a midway, pancake eating and log sawing contests, and of course maple syrup. For more information visit www.elmvalemaplesyrup.ca.

The Barrie Waterfront Festival, held in late May presents live bands from a variety of genres, street buskers, a midway with rides, face painting, street vendors, fresh food, treats and contests. For more information visit www.barriewaterfront.ca.

Entering its 29th successful year the **Georgian College Auto Show** runs in the first week of June. Produced by the Canadian Automotive Institute, it is the largest outdoor auto show in North America. Preview the latest models representing every major automobile manufacturer. Drive a Porsche on the demonstration track, all without any salesman onsite. Visit www.georgiancollegeautoshow.ca for more information.

Canada Day Festivities and the 36th annual Promenade Days occurs the July 1st weekend in Barrie's downtown and Heritage Park. Celebrate Canada's birthday with Barrie's largest street festival, featuring entertainment, food & shopping, then kick back and relax with a wonder filled fireworks display.

13th annual Ribfest, occurs in mid July at Memorial square in the downtown core. Offering finger-licking food, from all over North America, celebrity cook off, craft beer show and plenty of entertainment, you won't go hungry. Visit www.downtownbarrie.ca for information.

Kempenfest runs in August along Barrie's waterfront and in downtown Barrie and includes 2.5 km of fun under the sun on sparkling Kempenfelt Bay, with two stages hosting live entertainment all weekend long. It features more than 50 arts & crafts displays, 100 antique displays, gourmet food sampling and competitions, a midway, kids area and so much more. Call 705-739-4216, or visit its website for more information.

Later in August, get a team together in support of a local charity and race at the **Barrie Dragon Boat Festival** in Heritage Park. For more information, call 705-728-1010, or visit www.barriedragonboatfestival.ca.

In early October, local artisans open their studio doors for the **Images Thanksgiving Studio Tour**, participating artists, include potters, painters and sculptures and more with much of the work exhibited available for immediate sale. Call 705-835-6213, or visit www.images.studio.tour.com.

The Women in Business luncheon occurs in mid October, giving local business women the opportunity to be awarded and celebrated for their achievements in business and in community service over the previous year. For information, call 705-726-6537, ext.279.

Take a moment to pay respect this Nov. 11 at the **Remembrance Day Parade**. Veterans, their families and area residents gather at Memorial Square to remember, honour and celebrate the men and women of the Canadian Forces who have served their country. Parade arrives at approximately 10:45 a.m. Visit www.thebarrieexaminer.com for info as the day approaches.

Start the holiday season off right with the annual **Santa Claus Parade & Tree Lighting Ceremony** in Memorial Square. Visit with Santa, sing Christmas Carols, take a horse-drawn wagon ride and enjoy the fireworks display that follows. Call the Greater Barrie Chamber of Commerce at 705-721-5000 for more information.



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